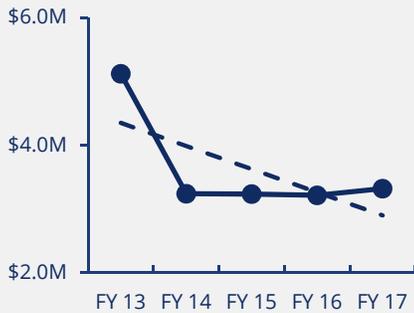


HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

ALABAMA

HPP FUNDING

39% decrease in funding
since FY 2013



HIGHLIGHTS

- The Alabama Department of Public Health, mandated a change to health care coalition (HCC) boundaries in FY 2017, decreasing the number of HCCs from 11 to 9. Health care facilities in the HCCs are adjusting to the new structure
- In FY 2017, AL provided no direct funding to HCCs; however, AL developed a plan to directly fund HCCs in FY 2018 which will greatly help coalitions grow
- Alabama’s HCC members receive training from the Advanced Regional Response Training Center, sponsored by the Center for Disaster Healthcare Preparedness at the University of South Alabama. Thousands of AL health care workers have been trained under this program

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION



SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE: 2017 Hurricane Season

During hurricanes Irma and Nate in 2017, Alabama’s HPP-funded Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) units supported shelter operations across the southern coalitions of the state. The MRCs participate in many trainings and exercises. As shelters were opened, the MRC shelter training proved extremely valuable. The nurses and other volunteers assisted medically dependent patients throughout the storms until normalcy could be restored.

FY 2018 PRIORITIES

- Coalition health care response training has been scheduled for 2018–2019 for all nine HCCs
- The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) will directly fund two health care coalitions, Mobile County HCC and Jefferson County HCC, allowing them to directly fund local health care gaps
- The ADPH is enhancing the mobile surge capacity by updating their mobile surge trailers and strategically locating them across the state at HCC locations



11 Health Care Coalitions